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AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
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Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated August 8, 2002, Applicants hereby amend the application as follows:

In the specification:

Please replace the paragraph beginning at page 1, line 6 with the following re-written paragraph:

--The present application claims priority to Provisional U.S. Patent Application No. 60/079,196, and is related to U.S. Patents Nos. 6,408,321 issued June 18, 2002 (Attorney Docket YOR9-1999-0149) and 6,349,265 issued February 19, 2002 (Attorney Docket No. YOR9-1999-0150), herein incorporated by reference in their entirety.--

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